In the Claims:

(Original) An aqueous polishing composition comprising:

 a corrosion inhibitor for limiting removal of an interconnect metal;
 an acidic pH;
 abrasive particles; and
 an organic-containing ammonium salt formed with

$$\begin{array}{c}
R_1 \\
\downarrow \\
R_4 - N^+ - R_2 \\
\downarrow \\
R_3
\end{array}$$

 R_1 , R_2 , R_3 and R_4 are radicals, R_1 is an unsubstituted aryl, alkyl, aralkyl, or alkaryl group that has a carbon chain length of 2 to 15 carbon atoms and the organic-containing automaium salt has a concentration that accelerates TEOS removal and decreases removal of at least one coating selected from the group consisting of SiC, SiCN, Si_3N_4 and SiCO with at least one polishing pressure less than 21.7 kPa.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The composition of Claim 1, wherein R₁ is a substituted or unsubstituted aryl, aralkyl, or alkaryl group that comprises has 2 to 5 carbon atoms.
- 3. (Currently amended) The composition of Claim 1, wherein the ammonium salt is formed with a compound eemprising selected from tetraethyl ammonium, tetrabutylammonium, benzyltributylammonium, benzyltrimethylammonium, benzyltriethylammonium, diallyldimethylammonium, diethylaminoethyl methacrylate, dimethylaminoethyl methacrylate, methacryloyloxyethyltrimethylammonium, 3-(methacrylamido) propyltrimethylammonium, triethylenetetramine, tetramethylguanidine, hexylamine and mixtures thereof.
- 4. (Original) An aqueous polishing composition comprising, by weight percent:
 0.05 to 15 abrasive particles;
 0 to 10 oxidizing agent;

0.0025 to 6 a corrosion inhibitor for limiting removal of an interconnect metal; a pH of less than 5; and

0.001 to 3 organic-containing ammonium salt formed with

$$\begin{array}{c}
R_1 \\
| \\
R_4 \longrightarrow N^{\dagger} \longrightarrow R_2 \\
| \\
R_3
\end{array}$$

R₁, R₂, R₃ and R₄ are radicals, R₁ is an unsubstituted aryl, alkyl, aralkyl, or alkaryl group that has a carbon chain length of 2 to 15 carbon atoms and the organic-containing ammonium salt has a concentration that accelerates TEOS removal and decreases removal of at least one coating selected from the group consisting of SiC, SiCN, Si₃N₄ and SiCO with at least one polishing pressure less than 21.7 kPa.

- 5. (Original) The composition of Claim 4, wherein the abrasive comprises a silica, the oxidizing agent comprises hydrogen peroxide, the corrosion inhibitor comprises benzotriazole and the composition has a pH of less than 3 and an organic fluoride ammonium salt.
- 6. (Original) The composition of Claim 5, wherein the polishing composition has a pH of 2 to 3 adjusted with nitric acid.
- 7. (Original) The composition of Claim 4, wherein R_1 has a carbon chain length of 2 to 5.
- 8. (Cancelled) A method for removing a layer from a semiconductor substrate comprising: applying an aqueous polishing composition to the semiconductor substrate, the aqueous polishing composition comprising an organic-containing ammonium salt formed with

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R_1 \\
 & \downarrow \\
R_4 - N^+ - R_2 \\
 & \downarrow \\
R_3
\end{array}$$

R₁, R₂, R₃ and R₄ are radicals, R₁ has a carbon chain length of 2 to 15 carbon atoms to accelerate removal of a silicon oxide-containing layer; and

polishing layer the silicon oxide-containing layer from the semiconductor substrate with a polishing pad to remove the silicon oxide-containing layer.

- 9. (Cancelled) The method of claim 1 including the additional step of polishing a barrier layer with the aqueous polishing composition before removing the silicon oxide-containing layer.
- (Cancelled) The method of claim 1 wherein the TEOS layer is a top layer deposited on a 10. bottom layer, the bottom layer comprises a coating selected from the group consisting of SiC, SiCN, Si₃N₄ and SiCO and the removing removes the top layer and leaves at least a portion of the bottom layer.
- 11. (New) An aqueous polishing composition comprising, by weight percent:

0.1 to 10 silica particles;

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0 to 10 oxidizing agent;

0.25 to 4 benzotriazole;

a pH of 1.5 to 4 adjusted with an inorganic adjusting agent; and 0.02 to 2 organic-containing ammonium salt selected from at least one of tetraethyl ammonium salts, tetrabutylammonium salts, benzyltributylammonium salts, benzyltrimethylammonium salts and benzyltriethylammonium salts.

- 12. (New) The composition of Claim 11, wherein the organic-containing inorganic salt is a tetrabutylamonium salt.
- (New) The composition of Claim 11, wherein the polishing composition has a pH of 2 to 13. 3 adjusted with nitric acid.